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Language: Italian Latin Spanish *Century:* 14th

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Description: - Parchment and paper - ? x ?

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Text 1: ?

Title: Collection of documents

Language(s): Italian, Latin, Spanish

Notes: Collection of documents concerning the Requesens, a family of Spanish origin who lived in Sicily and Naples. Over the centuries, the Requesens remained strong supporters of the Spanish crown, from whom they received numerous privileges and grants. About half of the items contained in the Requesens family papers pertain to these privileges, the most important being the concession of the island of Pantelleria, as well as territories in the areas of Syracuse, Marsala, and Palermo. The Requesens were also in charge of collecting taxes and customs fees in numerous locations of the Kingdom of Naples on behalf of the Spanish crown. Moreover, the Requesens were politically and military active during the Neapolitan Wars in support of the Spanish coalition. This long standing connection with the Spanish crown is emphasized in many documents, including personal and official correspondence, legal and notarial papers, petitions, and accounts. Letters between family members and friends and relatives all over Italy (Sicily, Naples, Genoa, Venice, Milan, and Turin) and France and Spain are also present